

## COLORADO CASH RECEIPTS, 1998 <sup>1/</sup>

Commodity	Thousand Dollars	Percent of Total
All Commodities	4,309,508	100.00
Livestock Products	2,856,655	66.3
Meat Animals	2,444,704	56.7
Cattle & Calves	2,149,157	49.9
Hogs & Pigs	186,661	4.3
Sheep & Lambs	108,886	2.5
Dairy Products	260,337	6.0
Milk, Retail	18,837	.4
Milk, Wholesale	241,500	5.6
Poultry & Eggs	115,853	2.7
Eggs	52,841	1.2
Other Poultry	63,012	1.5
Other Livestock	35,761	.8
Crops	1,452,853	33.7
Food Grains	274,943	6.4
Wheat	274,823	6.4
Feed Crops	559,154	13.0
Barley	22,655	.5
Corn	315,513	7.3
Hay	203,958	4.7
Oats	996	*
Sorghum	16,032	.4
Oil Crops	15,579	.4
Vegetables	304,816	7.1
Beans, Dry Edible	47,856	1.1
Potatoes	109,806	2.5
Summer Potatoes	12,736	.3
Fall Potatoes	97,070	2.3
Cabbage	7,544	.2
Cantaloupe	4,074	.1
Carrots	16,960	.4
Corn, Sweet	12,144	.3
Cucumbers	230	*
Lettuce	9,331	.2
Onions	79,071	1.8
Spinach	3,800	.1
Other Vegetables	14,000	.3
Fruits	21,275	.5
Apples	6,637	.2
Peaches	5,633	.1
Pears	1,004	*
Other Fruits	8,001	.2
All Other Crops	277,086	6.4
Sugar Beets	44,364	1.0
Greenhouse/Nursery	201,624	4.7
Floriculture	71,624	1.7
Other Greenhouse	130,000	3.0
Other Crops	31,098	.7

## FARM SECTOR INDICATORS, 1998

Item	Thousand Dollars
Total Agricultural Sector Output	4,879,585
Final Crop Output	1,515,554
Final Livestock Output	2,794,526
Services and Forestry	569,504
Net Government Transactions	133,152
Total Production Expenses	4,115,610
Intermediate Consumption Outlays	3,224,838
Farm Origin	1,836,434
Feed Purchased	744,405
Livestock & Poultry Purchased	994,978
Seed Purchased	97,051
Manufactured Inputs	395,733
Fertilizers & Lime	123,874
Pesticides	90,157
Petroleum Fuel and Oils	110,650
Electricity	71,052
Other Intermediate Expenses	992,671
Repair & Maintenance	174,531
Machine Hire and Custom Work	93,404
Mktng., Storage, and Transportation	142,872
Contract Labor	25,230
Miscellaneous Other	556,634
Factor Payments	709,196
Employee Compensation (Hired Labor)	314,935
Net Rent to Non-Operator Landlords	124,481
Real Estate and Nonreal Estate Interest	269,780
Capital Consumption	318,980
Net Farm Income	759,723
Total Farm Assets	23,026,656
Real Estate	17,912,768
Livestock & Poultry	1,910,550
Machinery & Motor Vehicles	1,489,331
Crops	392,808
Purchased Inputs	95,026
Financial	1,226,172
Total Farm Debt	3,629,703
Real Estate Debt	1,716,724
Nonreal Estate Debt	1,912,979
Equity	19,396,953
Debt/Equity Ratio	Percent 18.7
Debt/ Assets Ratio	15.8

- 1998 Number of Farms = 29,500

# COLORADO AGRICULTURE

(A PROFILE)



National  
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Service

## Fact Finding for Agriculture

This brochure highlights some of the significant facts about Colorado's Agricultural industry. Additional data may be obtained by calling the **Colorado Agricultural Statistics Service (CASS)**, at 1-800-392-3202, or by stopping in at 645 Parfet Street, Room W-201 in Lakewood. **Visit our Web Site on the Internet at:**  
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<sup>1/</sup> Totals may not add due to rounding.  
\* Less than .05 percent.

## COLORADO AGRICULTURE 1/

Total Land Area	66,300,000 Acres
Cropland Area	10,509,000 Acres
Irrigated Area	3,430,000 Acres
Number of Farms & Ranches	29,000
Land in Farms & Ranches	31,800,000 Acres
Avg. Size of Farm & Ranch	1,097 Acres

### OPERATIONS BY TYPE

82% Individual
10% Partnership
7% Corporate
1% Other

### OPERATIONS BY TENURE

58% Full Owners
30% Part Owners
12% Tenants

### OPERATIONS BY SIZE

Size of Operation (Acres)	Farms % of Total	Land in Farms % of Total
1 - 99	38.1	1.1
100 - 499	27.7	6.0
500 - 999	10.7	6.6
1,000 - 1,999	9.7	11.7
2,000 or more	<u>13.8</u>	<u>74.6</u>
	100.0	100.0

### OPERATIONS BY ECONOMIC SALES - 1999

Sales Class	No. of Farms	% of Total	Land in Farms	% of Total
	NO.	%	1,000 Acres	%
\$1,000 - \$9,999	13,700	47.2	3,800	11.9
\$10,000 - \$99,999	10,400	35.9	10,300	32.4
\$100,000 & over	4,900	16.9	17,700	55.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	29,000	100.0	31,800	100.0

### OPERATORS BY AGE GROUP (Average Age 53.8)

Age of Operator	Percent of Operations
Under 25	1.2
25 to 34	6.0
35 to 44	20.9
45 to 54	26.2
55 to 64	21.3
65 and over	<u>24.4</u>
	100.0

1/ Data based on 1997 Federal Census except number of farms, land in farms and average size of farm which are 1999 estimates.

## NATIONAL RANKING of COLORADO PRODUCTS

Proso Millet	1st
Summer Potatoes	2nd
Carrots	2nd
Sunflowers, Non-Oil	2nd
Summer Lettuce	3rd
Market Sheep and Lambs	3rd
All Sheep and Lambs	4th
All Potatoes	4th
Cattle on Feed	4th
Dry Edible Beans	4th
Fed Cattle Marketings	4th
Spinach	4th
Sunflowers, All	4th
Sunflowers, Oil	4th
Winter Wheat	4th
Wool Production	4th
Barley	5th
Dry Summer Storage Onions	5th
Sorghum Silage	5th
Cantaloupe	6th
Fall Potatoes	6th
Sweet Corn	7th
Sugar Beets	7th
All Wheat	8th
Cabbage	8th
Pears	8th
Lamb Crop	8th
Spring Wheat	8th
Tart Cherries	8th
Breeding Hogs and Pigs	9th
Average Size of Farm or Ranch	9th
Breeding Sheep and Lambs	9th
Sorghum for Grain	9th
All Cattle and Calves	10th
Alfalfa Hay	11th
Land in Farms	11th
Pig Crop	11th
Corn Silage	12th
Corn for Grain	13th
All Hogs & Pigs	14th
Beef Cows	14th
All Hay	15th
Market Hogs and Pigs	15th
Calf Crop	16th
All Cows	17th
Milk Production	20th
All Layers	22nd
Egg Production	23rd
Other Hay	23rd
Oats	24th
Peaches	24th
All Chickens	26th
Milk Cows	29th
Farms, 1999	30th

# 1999 production data for crops.  
Jan.1, 2000 inventory for cattle and sheep.  
Dec. 1, 1999 inventory for hogs, and poultry.

## COLORADO CROP PRODUCTION, 1999

Crop	Acres Hrstd	Yield Per Acre	Unit	Production (1,000)
Apples	-	-	Lbs.	8,000
Barley	86,000	105.0	Bu.	9,030
Beans, Dry Edible	145,000	19.00	Cwt.	2,755
Cabbage	2,300	360	Cwt.	828
Cantaloupe	1,900	180	Cwt.	342
Carrots	3,700	500	Cwt.	1,850
Cherries, Tart	-	-	Lbs.	1
Corn, Grain	1,120,000	142.0	Bu.	159,040
Corn, Silage	100,000	24.0	Tons	2,400
Hay, Alfalfa	900,000	3.80	Tons	3,420
Hay, Other	620,000	1.90	Tons	1,178
Lettuce	2,000	340	Cwt.	680
Oats	25,000	70.0	Bu.	1,750
Onions	14,500	370	Cwt.	5,365
Peaches	-	-	Lbs.	3,000
Pears	-	-	Tons	0.50
Potatoes, Summer	7,700	345	Cwt.	2,657
Potatoes, Fall	76,900	335	Cwt.	25,762
Proso Millet	240,000	34.0	Cwt.	8,160
Rye	2,000	33.0	Bu.	66
Sorghum, Grain	205,000	42.0	Bu.	8,610
Sorghum, Silage	10,000	17.0	Tons	170
Spinach	1,800	80	Cwt.	144
Sugar Beets	68,500	21.3	Tons	1,459
Sunflowers, Non-Oil	93,000	1,250	Lbs.	116,250
Sunflowers, Oil	172,000	1,350	Lbs.	232,200
Sweet Corn	6,700	160	Cwt.	1,072
Wheat, Winter	2,400,000	43.0	Bu.	103,200
Wheat, Spring	50,000	80.0	Bu.	4,000

(P) Processing

### COLORADO LIVESTOCK INVENTORIES

Species	Number
All Cattle & Calves, January 1, 2000	3,150,000
All Cows & Heifers that have Calved	920,000
Beef Cows & Heifers that have Calved	837,000
Milk Cows & Heifers that have Calved	83,000
Heifers 500 Pounds and Over	930,000
For Beef Cow Replacement	150,000
For Milk Cow Replacement	40,000
Other Heifers	740,000
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	990,000
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	50,000
Calves Under 500 Pounds	260,000
All Sheep & Lambs, January 1, 2000	440,000
Breeding Sheep & Lambs	210,000
Market Sheep & Lambs	230,000
All Hogs & Pigs, December 1, 1999	910,000
Breeding Hogs & Pigs	210,000
Market Hogs & Pigs	700,000
All Chickens, December 1, 1999	4,479,000
Total Layers	3,800,000
Pullets	510,000
Other Chickens	169,000